

**Whereas**, as the 2002-2003 school year draws to a close, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to applaud the career achievements of those individuals who are retiring from the field of education; and

**Whereas**, the Grandview R-II School District is losing a valuable member of its faculty in May 2003 with the retirement of Barbara Melton who has devoted twenty-eight years of her life to the education of this state's young citizens through tireless endeavors as a teacher; and

**Whereas**, Barbara Melton, a resident of Cedar Hill, Missouri, has taught for twenty-four years at Grandview R-II, where she is held in high esteem as an educator who demonstrates considerable competence and remarkable degrees of compassion and understanding; and

**Whereas**, deeply committed to the great cause of learning, Barbara Melton served as a kindergarten teacher for four years at Ste. Genevieve Elementary prior to assuming her current responsibilities as a third grade teacher with the Grandview schools; and

**Whereas**, Barbara Melton has also served as a "Just Say No" Sponsor, A.R. & A.M. Director, Teacher Mentor, Supervising Student Teacher, and member of the Career Ladder and Professional Development Committees; and

**Whereas**, Barbara Melton has supported her profession as a member of the Community Teachers Association and the Missouri State Teachers Association; and

**Whereas**, a Sunday school and U.B.S. teacher, Barbara Melton has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include her husband, Edmon Melton; her children, Edmon E. Mellton, Jr., and his wife, Ruth Melton, and Brittany Nicole Crum and her husband, Corey; and her grandchildren, Mackenzie and Madison:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join the Grandview R-II School District in expressing appreciation for the unparalleled service that Barbara Melton has rendered to Missouri's children and in wishing her the long, fruitful, and enjoyable retirement that she so justly deserves; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Barbara Melton, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Belinda Harris  
District No. 110

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1459, adopted April 7, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker